

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Katsuya YAMADA et al.

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SETTING ENVIRONMENT OF  
CLIENT IN CLIENT/SERVER SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM RECORDING  
MEDIUM THEREFOR

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee for and examination of the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please AMEND the claims in accordance with the following:

6. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 1, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

7. (AS ONCE AMENDED HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 1, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

10. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 2, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

11. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 3, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

12. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 4, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

13. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 5, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

14. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 2, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

15. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 3, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

16. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 4, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

17. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 5, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

18. (AS NEW HEREIN) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 6, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.


### REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to further prosecution of this application by placing same in better form, including eliminating all multiple dependencies from the claims. Accordingly, entry of the Preliminary Amendment and favorable examination are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

### IN THE CLAIMS

6. (ONCE AMENDED) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to [one of claims 1 to 5] claim 1, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

7. (ONCE AMENDED) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to [one of claims 1 to 6] claim 1, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

10. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 2, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

11. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 3, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

12. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 4, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

13. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 5, wherein said server has a unit keeping a log of processing performed on said client.

14. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 2, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

15. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 3, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

16. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 4, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

17. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 5, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.

18. (NEW) The apparatus for setting the environment of a client in a client/server system according to claim 6, wherein said client periodically sends document data to said server.